



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. 99,297)

In the Application of:)	
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Yatvin, et al.)	Before the Examiner:
)	S. A. Jiang
Serial No. 09/993,976)	
)	Group Art Unit: 1617
Filed: November 5, 2001)	
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For: Covalent Conjugates of Biologically-Active)	Confirmation No.: 7958
Compounds with Amino Acids and Amino Acid)	
Derivatives for Targeting to Physiologically-)	
Protected Sites)	

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Dear Sir:

Applicants request a three month extension of time to reply to the Advisory Action mailed February 26, 2004. Applicants' response is thus due on April 2, 2004.

By the signature of the undersigned the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is authorized to debit Deposit Account 13-2490 for the full amount of the required fee. Applicants qualify for Small Entity Status.

If the Examiner in charge of this application believes it to be helpful, he or she is invited to contact the undersigned at 312-913-0001.

Respectfully submitted,
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Dated: April 2, 2004

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